



Department of
Toxic Substances
Control

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Toxic Substances
Control is to
provide the highest
level of safety, and
to protect public
health and the
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toxic harm.*



State of California



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Fact Sheet, January 2009

Draft Permit Renewal Available for Review and Comment for Safety Kleen, Los Angeles

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on the draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Renewal (draft Permit) for the Safety Kleen, Los Angeles facility located at 2918 Worthen Avenue, Los Angeles (facility).

Facility Description

Safety Kleen provides cleaning solvents to customers primarily engaged in vehicle repair shops, industrial maintenance, and dry cleaning. The facility provides customers with part cleaning solvents including aqueous-based parts washing solutions and immersion cleaners (carburetor cleaner). They also provide a sink affixed to the top of a 16-or-30-gallon drum of cleaner solvent (unit) to the customer's location.

The units are emptied and the hazardous materials are refilled by the Safety Kleen truck operators at the customer's location, and the trucks transport the hazardous wastes back to the facility. The hazardous waste solvents from the facility are eventually transported to Safety Kleen's Reedley Recycle Center or another permitted facility for recycling, treatment and/or disposal.

Public Comment Period

The public comment period begins January 20, 2009 and ends on March 9, 2009. Written comments must be postmarked or emailed by March 9, 2009 and sent to:

Mr. Farshad Vakili, P.E.
DTSC, Sacramento Regional Office
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, California 95826
fvakili@dtsc.ca.gov

A public hearing is not scheduled at this time, but anyone interested can request a public hearing. A hearing request must be sent to Farshad Vakili at the address above and must be received by March 9, 2009. The hearing request must state the reason for requesting a public hearing. Before making a final permit determination, DTSC will review and respond to all public comments in writing. DTSC will prepare a Response to Comments document which will be sent to all individuals who submitted comments or who have requested copies of the document. A copy of the Response to Comments document will be placed in the information repositories listed in this fact sheet.

Draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Renewal

The permit expired on July 15, 2007, and the facility has been operating under authorization since that time.

DTSC examines the permit renewal application through four main steps:

- 1) DTSC reviewed the permit renewal application for completeness. If necessary, DTSC issues a Notice of Deficiency requiring additional information or changes to the existing information in the application. The application is now complete.
- 2) DTSC prepared the draft Permit based on whether the facility's application meets the regulatory standards. The draft Permit is now ready for public review.
- 3) DTSC solicits and receives comments from the public during a formal public comment period of at least 45 days. DTSC will hold a public meeting and a public hearing, if requested, or if DTSC determines there is significant public interest.

If granted, the Permit will have a duration of 10 years.

Enforcement History

DTSC has inspected the Facility on a regular basis to ensure they are in compliance with California laws, regulations, and the permit conditions. The results of those inspections during the past five years can be reviewed at DTSC's Regional Office located at 9211 Oakdale Avenue, Chatsworth, California, 91311.

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Under the California Environmental Quality Act, DTSC must evaluate whether the draft Permit may have any significant impacts on human health and the environment.

As part of this evaluation, DTSC has proposed a Notice of Exemption (NOE) which concludes that activities will not result in any impact to human health or the environment. As a result, a Notice of Exemption has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of California Code of Regulation, Title 14, Section 15301.

You Can Participate in Our Permitting Decisions

DTSC encourages public participation in the decision-making process and invites the public to review and comment on the draft Permit. Before making a final determination on the draft Permit, DTSC will review and respond in writing to all public comments.

A Response to Comments document will be sent to all those who submitted comments and to those who request a copy. A copy of the Response to Comments will also be placed in the information repositories established for this project.

The draft Permit and other related documents for the Safety Kleen, Los Angeles project are available for review at the following locations:

City of Los Angeles Library Department Los Feliz Branch

1874 Hillhurst Avenue
Los Angeles, CA
(323) 913-4710

Department of Toxic Substances Control

8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA.
(916) 255-3612

Who to Contact for Information

If you have any questions about the project or cleanup activities, please contact:

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Sacramento, CA, 95826
(916) 255-3612
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DTSC Public Participation Specialist
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(866) 495-5651
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For Media Inquiries Please Contact:

Ms. Claudia Loomis
Public Information Officer
Department of Toxic Substances Control
(916) 255-6578
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Notice to Hearing Impaired

You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at: (888) 877-5378. Ask them to contact Mr. Farshad Vakili, DTSC Project Manager, at (916) 255-3612.

Anuncio

Si prefiere hablar con alguien en español acerca de ésta información, favor de llamar a Jesus Cruz, Departamento de Control de Substancias Tóxicas. El número de teléfono es (916) 255-3315, o gratis a (866) 495-5651.

COMMENT FORM AND MAILING COUPON
Safety Kleen, Los Angeles, California

You may use this sheet to:

send us your comments
be added to or taken off the mailing list

If you use this form to send us your comments, please include your name and address.
All written comments must be postmarked no later than March 9, 2009. Please send this form to:

Mr. Farshad Vakili, Project Manager
Department of Toxic Substances Control
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, California, 95826

You may also email this same information to: fvakili@dtsc.ca.gov

☐ **Please take me off the mailing list**
☐ **Please add me to the mailing list**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Affiliation (if any): _____

Phone number (optional) _____

Comments: (If you need more space, please feel free to use another sheet of paper)

DTSC's mailing lists are only used for keeping you informed of our activities. However, they are considered public records and, if requested, may be subject to release.